

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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Shortage of Coal

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Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Paris Climate Change negotiations addresses the coal issues;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the shortage of coal is likely to affect the Make in India programme; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the steps being taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) IN THE MINISTRY OF COAL, POWER AND NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY
(SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)

(a) & (b): As per India's Intended Nationally Determined Contributions (INDCs), it has been agreed to reduce the emission's intensity of its GDP by 33-35% by 2030 from 2005 level. 40 % of the cumulative electric power installed capacity to be non-fossil fuel based energy resources by 2030 and introducing new, more efficient and cleaner technologies in thermal power generation etc. relate to coal issues. These goals have been set keeping in view the development priorities such as electricity for all, poverty eradication etc.

(c) & (d): Keeping in view the rapidly increasing demand for coal from various sectors it has been proposed to enhance domestic coal production. In this regard, Coal India Limited (CIL) has envisaged enhancing its production to 1 Billion tonnes by 2019-20 from the current level of about 494 million tonnes. A detailed action plan has also been drawn by CIL for meeting the envisaged production. Further concerted efforts have been laid in completing 3 critical rail projects in potential coalfields to overcome evacuation constraints. Efforts have also been made for technology development and modernization.

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